CFAC Health and Safety Lessons Learned

Columbia Falls Aluminum Company, LLC, Columbia Falls, Montana

- A Roux employee was sampling surface water along the Flathead River during the fall 2018 surface water sampling event. A boat is utilized during Flathead River sampling to access surface water points along the shoreline. Following the sampling, a Roux employee exited the docked boat onto the shoreline. While exiting, the employee slipped but regained his balance and did not fall. No injury occurred.
- When exiting the boat, the employee did not utilize 3 points of contact because they were holding sampling equipment.
- The employee was coached to always use 3 points of contact when entering and exiting the boat, and not to hold equipment when doing so. Going forward, the employee indicated they would hand the equipment to a worker already on shore before exiting the boat.





